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Group No.: 2875

Examiner: M. Tsidulko

DECLARATION OF STEVE LEE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131

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I, Steve LEE, declare as follows:

1. I am an officer of LumiSource, Inc., and am one of the named inventors in the above-identified patent application.

2. Prior to 19 June 2001, we designed a decorative light bulb that included an outer surface forming a decorative shape; one or more inert gases within the decorative light bulb creating ethereal electrical arcing having a first color; a surface feature formed on the outer surface, the surface feature having an inner surface; and a coating applied on the inner surface of the surface feature, the coating

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resulting in ethereal electrical arcing having a second color along the inner surface of the surface feature.

3. The decorative light bulb included a plug removably connected with respect to a base so that two or more distinct decorative light bulbs were interchangeable within the base.

4. The decorative light bulb further included the decorative shape of a globe and the surface feature comprises a plurality of contoured continents.

5. The coating considered for application to the inner surface of the decorative light bulb was a phosphor.

6. The developments described in Paragraphs 1-5 all occurred prior to 19 June 2001 in the United States of America.

7. We disclosed these developments, including working prototype decorative light bulbs, to a potential customer in a meeting prior to 19 June 2001, subject to a confidentiality agreement.

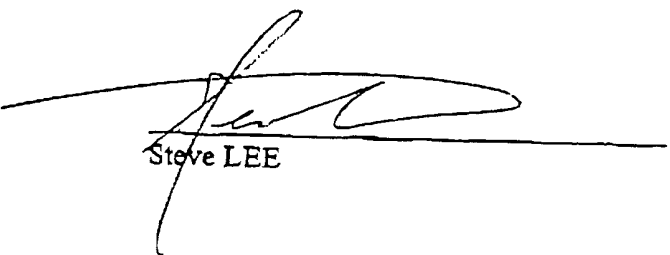
8. I prepared and sent to the potential customer, via electronic mail, a summary of this meeting prior to 19 June 2001. A copy of this electronic mail is attached.

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9. The undersigned further declare that all statements made herein of their knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Jan. 7 '03

Date


Steve LEE

-----Original Message-----

From: Steve Lee [mailto:stevelee@lumisource.com]

Sent: [REDACTED] 2001 9:57 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Thank you for visiting w/ me last thursday

Dear [REDACTED],

Glad to hear that there are fans of our project besides ourselves!!
[REDACTED]

The Cube: The neck of the cube will be larger, the glass will still be purple, and we will use the multi-colored phosphor coating for the inside.

The Earth: The outlines of the continents will be more defined and we will have individual units coated with green, red and multi-colored phosphor so you can decide which versions is the most appealing.

The rock: This sample I may have to hold off a little as the other two have more priority. We will shrink the size of the rock so that it will fit on the smaller base. We will try to get this out in two weeks but it probably won't make it that quickly.

Other exclusive shapes for [REDACTED] could have movie themes in the future - The [REDACTED] (we have the [REDACTED] the dolphin (we already have this), etc. The variations and possibilities are endless. Especially since our advantage is moving quickly from development to production, we can catch any trend in a matter of a few weeks!

I am pretty sure that I could have all the revised samples by the middle of this month. Would you please arrange a meeting with everyone for either [REDACTED]

I'm excited to get this in the stores for a great Christmas. I think we're pretty close to that goal!! I look forward to hearing from you soon. Have a great week!

Steve